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SUBJ: VENEZUELAN ECONOMIC MISSION

1. INFORMATION IN THIS PARA BASED ON NEWS REPORTS. VENEZUELAN ECONOMIC MISSION ARRIVED LA PAZ SEPT 5. HEADED BY GEN. RAFAEL ALFONSO RAVART, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT ANDRES. ALFONSO SAID HE WAS EXPERT ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT POLES. OTHERS IN GOV DELEGATION ARE DR REYNALDO FIGUEREDO, DR. MANUEL QUIJADA AND DR. EDUARDO TRONCONI, ALL OF THE INSTITUTO DE COMERCIO EXTERIOR. SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS: SEPT 6- HYDROCARBONS, ENERGY (PROABLY ALL ON BALA PROJECT AS ARMED FORCES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, COFADENA, MAKING PRESTATION) AGRO-INDUSTRY, MINING/STEEL INDUSTRY (PROBABLY WILL CONCENTRATE ON MUTUN PROJECT AS SIDERSA MAKING PRESENTATION): SEPT 7-8 TRAVEL TO BALA DAM SITE, MUTUN AND OTHER PROJECT SITES: SEPT 9 RETURN TO LA PAZ: SEPT 10 ISSUE FINAL DOCUMENT AND MEET PRESIDENT BANZER. BOLIVIAN SIDE LED BY MINISTER FOR COORDINATION LECHIN. RESULTS OF THIS SERIES MEETINGS EXPECTED BE REFERRED TO SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS IN LA PAZ WITH GOV MINISTER PEREZ GUERRERO.

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2. NATIONAL INVESTMENT INSTITUTE (INI) SOURCES TOLD EMBOFFS THAT

ON BASIS EARLIER VENEZUELAN MISSION DISCUSSIONS AND CURRENT EXPECTATIONS, MOST ATTENTION EXPECTED BE FOCUSED ON FOLLOWING PROJECTS: COFADENA'S AVAPO-IZAZOG AGRICULTURAL AREA, BOLIVIAN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (CBF) VILLAMONTES VEGOIL PLANT AND IRRIGATION PROJECT, BALA DAM, MUTUN, ARGENTINE-BOLIVIAN PESICIDE PLANT, SALAR DE UYUNI BASIC CHEMICALS PLANT. SOURCES NOTED VENEZUELAN WISH FORM MIXED COMPANIES AND HAVE NOT OFFERED SOFT ASSISTANCE LOANS. SAID HECTOR ORMACHEA, DIRECTOR NATIONAL FINANCE INSTITUTE, IS COORDINATOR FOR VENEZUELAN MISSION.

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